GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Child Vaccination
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government is aware of the report that 89 lakh children are either unvaccinated or partially vaccinated;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government provides special funds and service to States/UTs under Mission Indradhanush Immunization programme, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the said immunization programme covers compulsory immunization against diseases like Polio, Diphtheria and Small Pox and is being strictly implemented by the State and UTs,
if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Government has unveiled a major campaign to create awareness on the above immunization programme, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a): Yes, the Government is aware.

(b): The State/UT-wise details of the number of unvaccinated or partially vaccinated children is given in Annexure.

(c): No separate funds have been allocated for Mission Indradhanush. The funds provided for routine immunization activities are also utilized for Mission Indradhanush.

(d): Mission Indradhanush provides vaccination against all diseases for which vaccines are given in Universal Immunization Program (UIP) to children and pregnant women. These are Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Poliomyelitis, Tuberculosis, Measles, Hepatitis B, Meningitis and Pneumonia due to Haemophilus influenzae type B. In addition, Japanese encephalitis (JE) vaccination is also done in districts which are endemic for JE and where Mission Indradhanush has been carried out. The Mission Indradhanush programme is being strictly implemented by the States and UTs. Till now, 497 districts across 35 State/UTs have been covered under Mission Indradhanush.

(e): The media campaign for Mission Indradhanush was launched on 23rd March, 2015 where media creatives were released. These include short movie, posters and banners in English and Hindi in Mission Indradhanush districts to create awareness about Mission Indradhanush.

In addition, short scripts on social media platforms like Twitter, Youtube etc. are also used for creating awareness on Mission Indradhanush.